Student Alternatives Program, Inc. San Antonio, TX

Project Title Student Alternatives IDA Program

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AFI Grant Amount \$324,835

Nonfederal Support \$324,835

Project Period September 2001 – September 2006

Highlights Student Alternatives Program, Inc. is offering 50 IDAs for

post-secondary education as a means for filling gaps in student financial aid. The match rate is \$1 to \$1, up to \$2,000 in participant savings over 24 months. In addition to core training, services include crisis management, structured planning exercises, mentoring, peer support,

and counseling.

Target Population Cameron, El Paso, Hidalgo, Lubbock, Starr, and Webb

Counties, Texas.

Grantee/Collaborative Description Student Alternatives Program, Inc. is a nonprofit agency

that operates four charter schools and 11 learning centers throughout South Texas. IBC Bank is holding the project

reserve account and participant IDAs.